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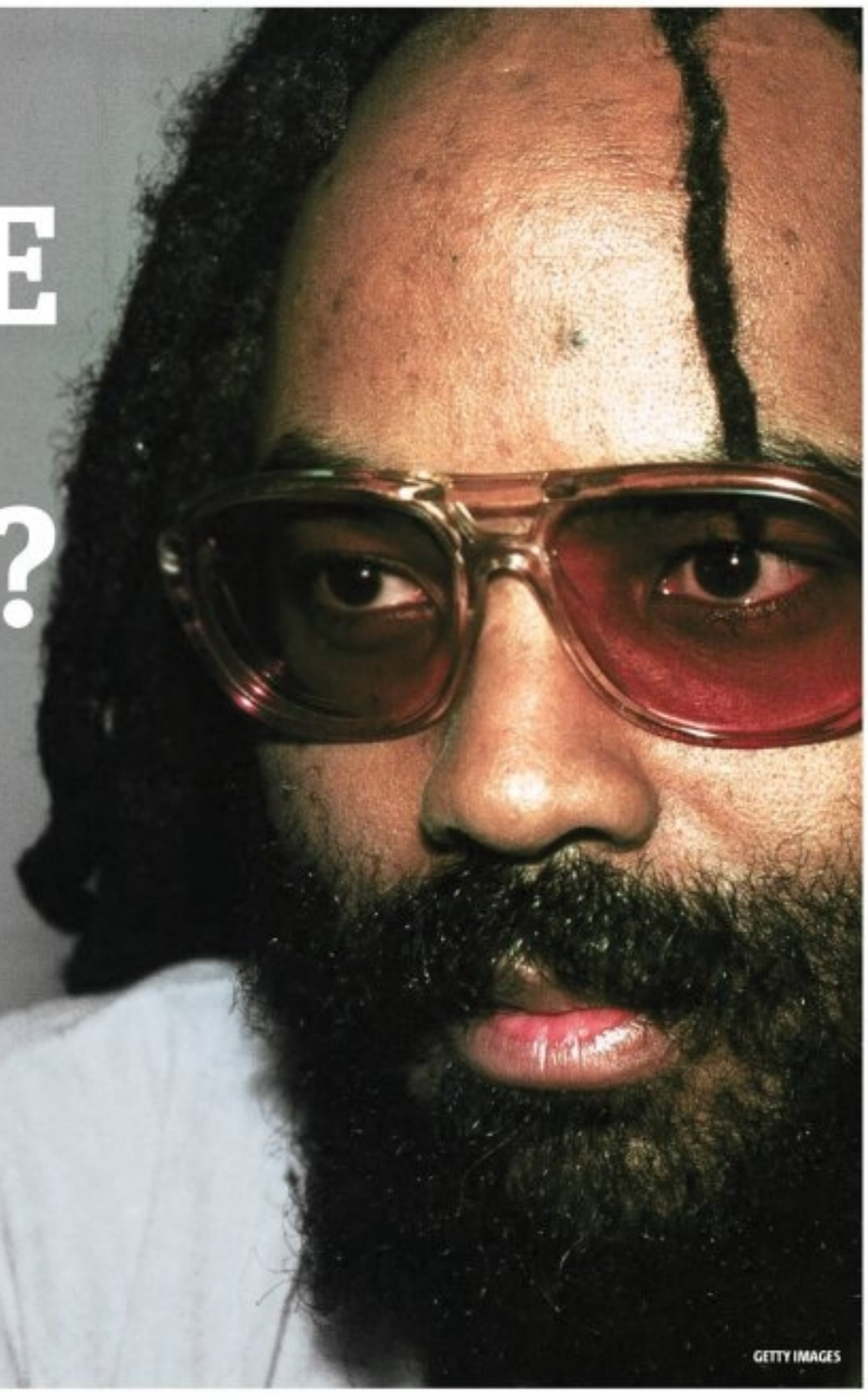

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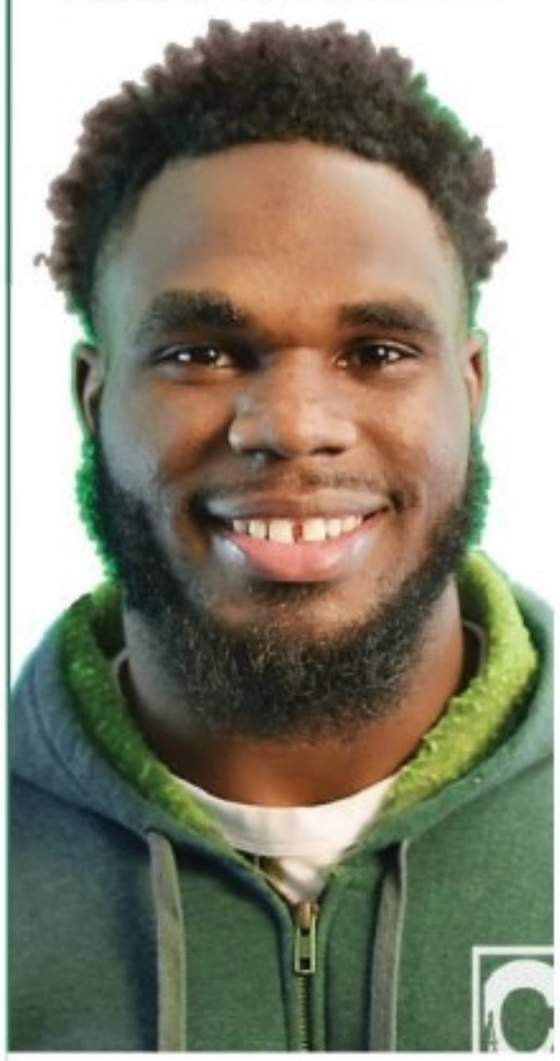

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SAM NEWHOUSE, REPORTER

It's one of Philadelphia's most controversial cases and the subject of books, films and protests across the world. Mumia Abu-Jamal's conviction for the 1981 murder of Philadelphia police officer Daniel Faulkner has been debated for years, and now, it could be re-litigated in court over a retroactive, technical impropriety. A Philadelphia judge recently granted Abu-Jamal that chance to appeal based on a U.S. Supreme Court decision that could re-open all of his appeals for the last two decades — a move praised by Abu-Jamal's supporters, who call the former journalist and writer a political prisoner, and decried by people like Faulkner's widow, who says she has no doubt Abu-Jamal killed her 25-year-old husband 38 years ago. Read more inside and on **MetroPhilly.us.**

KIM AND KANYE EXPECTING FOURTH CHILD

1 Kim Kardashian and Kanye West are expecting a fourth child — again using a surrogate, according to multiple media reports on Wednesday. Celebrity magazines Us Weekly and People quoted sources close to the couple as saying the surrogate was pregnant and expected to give birth in May. Representatives of the reality TV star and her rapper husband did not respond to a request for comment. Kardashian and West's third child, Chicago, was born via a surrogate in January 2018. The couple has two other children, North, 5, and Saint, 3. They turned to surrogacy after doctors warned Kardashian of serious health risks if she became pregnant again after her first two children. Us Weekly reported that the couple put their plans for a fourth child on hold about six months ago as West was struggling with mental health issues. The rapper said last year he suffers from bipolar disorder and embarked on a bizarre Twitter spree that culminated in a rambling October meeting at the White House with President Donald Trump, whom West supports.

'I WON': TRUMP REBUFFS ROMNEY CRITICISM

2 President Donald Trump rebuffed sharp criticism from fellow Republican Mitt Romney on Wednesday, heaping scorn on the incoming senator in a sign of tensions to come in Washington even before a new Congress is officially sworn in. Romney, who starts work on Thursday when members of the 2019-20 Congress take office, suggested in a newspaper essay published on Tuesday that Trump had "caused dismay around the world" and said his presidency had "made a deep descent in December." "On balance, his conduct over the past two years ... is evidence that the president has not risen to the mantle of the office," said Romney in the Washington Post essay, reprising a strong critique of Trump that he voiced during the 2016 presidential campaign. Trump responded with a tweet on Wednesday, noting Romney's failed 2012 White House bid and also taking a shot at former Republican Sen. Jeff Flake, who has just retired from Congress and who has been one of the few Republican lawmakers to be openly critical of the president.

'SANCTIONS ARE COMING' DURING CABINET MEETING

3 President Donald Trump leads a meeting of his cabinet, including acting Interior Secretary David Bernhardt (L) and acting Defense Secretary Patrick Shanahan, in the Cabinet Room at the White House on Wednesday. A partial federal government shutdown entered its 12th day as Trump and House Democrats are at an impasse over funding for border security, including the president's demand for $5 billion for a wall along the U.S.-Mexico border.

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CAPTAIN AND TENNILLE'S DARYL DRAGON DIES AT 76

4 Singer and pianist Daryl Dragon, best known as "The Captain" of 1970s soft-rock duo Captain and Tennille, has died at the age of 76, his publicist said on Wednesday. Dragon died of kidney failure in Prescott, Arizona, on Wednesday, publicist Harlan Boll said in a statement. Captain and Tennille were best known for their Grammy-winning 1974 hit song "Love Will Keep Us Together, as well as the hits "Muskrat Love" in 1976 and "Do That to Me One More Time" in 1980. They also hosted their own television variety series from 1976 to 1977. Toni Tennille, who married Dragon in 1975, was with him when he died. "He was a brilliant musician with many friends who loved him greatly. I was at my most creative in my life when I was with him," Tennille said in a statement. The couple divorced in 2014 but remained friends. Tennille said in a 2010 blog post that Dragon was suffering from an unspecified neurological condition that gave him hand tremors, seriously affecting his ability to play keyboards. Dragon said in 2017 that his problems were a result of medication and that he was better.

PULISIC JOINS CHELSEA AS MOST EXPENSIVE US PLAYER

5 Chelsea confirmed the signing of U.S. international winger Christian Pulisic from Borussia Dortmund on Wednesday, making the highly talented 20-year-old the most expensive American soccer player in history. Chelsea did not provide financial details but Dortmund said the London side had paid 64 million euros ($73.2 million) for the versatile attacker, who British media reported was also sought by Premier League leaders Liverpool. Forbes reported that the fee for Pulisic is over three times higher than the 20 million euros that German side Wolfsburg paid Hertha Berlin for U.S. international John Brooks in 2017. "It's a privilege to have signed for such a legendary club and I look forward to working hard toward being a contributor to their team of world-class players," Pulisic, who will spend the rest of the season on loan at Dortmund, said in a statement. "Looking forward to working with Maurizio Sarri and his technical team." Chelsea added that the youngster from Hershey, Pennsylvania, had signed a five-and-a-half-year contract to become the third American recruit in their history after Matt Miazga and Roy Wegerle.

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Philadelphia police with the 35th District at roll call.

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Philly's 2018 murder count is highest in a decade

With more than 350 homicides, last year proved to be one of the deadliest due to the opioid crisis.

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Philadelphia's first homicide of 2019 was reported just 17 minutes into the new year. Anibal DeJesus, 36, of Kensington, was found dead from several gunshot wounds on the 3200 block of Tamp Street, just north of Allegheny Avenue between E and F streets.

Tragically, that homicide may continue the trend from the past bloody year in Philadelphia — one that ended with more homicides than the city had seen in a decade.

There were 351 homicides in 2018 in Philadelphia, more than any year since 2007, which ended with 391 murders.

The last several weeks were particularly bloody, with a quadruple homicide in late November, followed by two triple killings in early December. Philadelphia also experienced a violent summer, with local news reporting an estimated 150 teenagers shot. Statistically, most of the victims and perpetrators were African-American and Latino males, aged 15 to 34.

Philly police have named drug crime as a cause behind the spike.

"We know that part of the reason that the spike is happening is because of the opioid crisis," Ross told NBC 10 when asked about the increase in murders. "We've got a 93 percent increase in our motives that related to drugs in homicide that's significant, and so clearly, for us, that's probably the biggest problem."

By comparison, some cities with larger populations than Philadelphia's (1.5 million) had fewer homicides, such as the nation's two largest cities. New York City, with a population of 8.6 million, had 286 homicides in 2018; while Los Angeles, with a population of four million, had 282 homicides last year.

Meanwhile, Chicago, with a population of 2.7 million, had 561 homicides in 2018 — 100 fewer than the previous year.

After the bloody summer, in September Mayor Jim Kenney ordered senior city leadership to develop a plan "for how to dramatically reduce the killings and shootings in Philadelphia" — which looks "at violence through the lens of public health" — by January, the mayor's office said.

The public health approach in general means taking an epidemiological view of violence — treating it as a disease whose spread can be documented and deterred. Police records indicate most gun violence in the city is concentrated around specific hot spots of extreme poverty and illegal activity.

In 2013, Philadelphia hit a historic, 50-year low with 246 homicides.

But even with the increase in murders, 2018 falls well below the city's crack crisis peak in the early '90s, when Philadelphia was seeing around 500 murders each year.

By the numbers: Philly's homicide totals

2007 – 391
2008 – 331
2009 – 302
2010 – 306
2011 – 326
2012 – 331
2013 – 246
2014 – 248
2015 – 280
2016 – 277
2017 – 315
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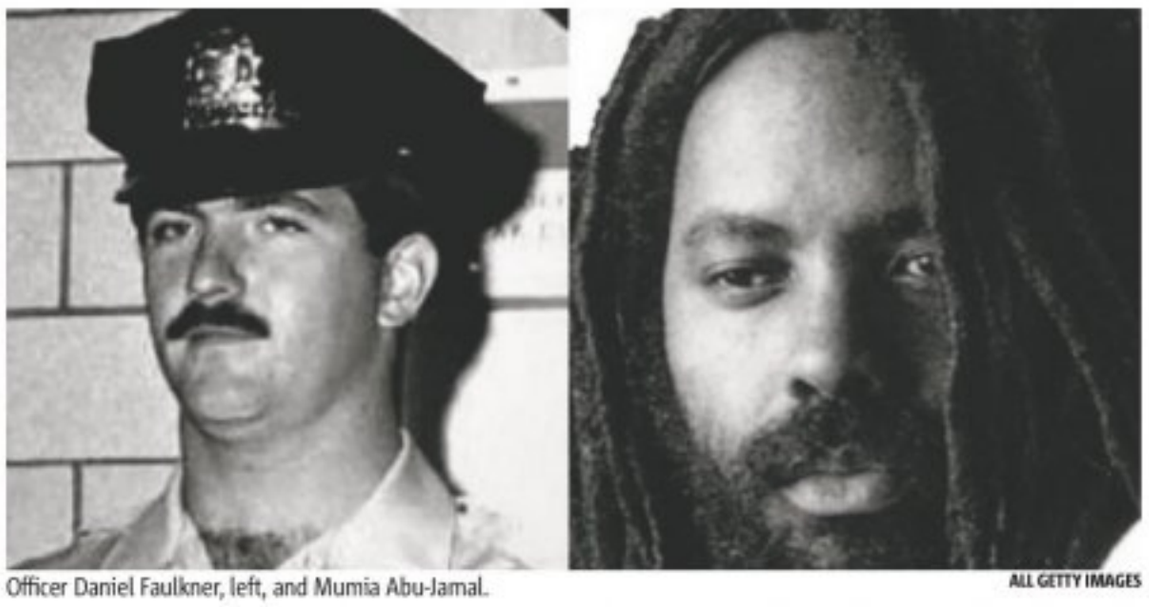

Officer Daniel Faulkner, left, and Mumia Abu-Jamal.

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Abu-Jamal granted new chance to appeal

A Philly judge allows for a new look at the case of a convicted cop killer whom supporters call a political prisoner.

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It's one of Philadelphia's most infamous cases: Mumia Abu-Jamal's conviction for the 1981 murder of Philly police officer Daniel Faulkner has been the subject of documentaries, books and international attention.

Now, Abu-Jamal's conviction will be — yet again — resurrected in court, after a Philadelphia judge granted an appeal on a technicality out of concerns for the appearance of any impropriety that could reopen every decision in the case back to the '90s.

The appeal does not directly relate to Abu-Jamal's first-degree murder conviction in 1982 — originally sentenced to death, his sentence was commuted to life in prison without parole in 2011, with consent from the Faulkner family.

But based on U.S. Supreme Court precedent, Tucker found that retired Pennsylvania Supreme Court Justice Ronald Castille tainted decisions on Abu-Jamal's appeals by participating, when he had previously opposed those same appeals when he served as Philadelphia district attorney from 1986-1991, before taking the bench in 1993.

Abu-Jamal's last appeal of his conviction was rejected in 2012 by a state Supreme Court bench that included Castille.

The decision could lead to a review of every legal step in his case since the mid-'90s, possibly before the current state Supreme Court. But Maureen Faulkner, the widow of Officer Daniel Faulkner, says Abu-Jamal should still face the death penalty.

"The slightest appearance of bias or lack of impartiality undermines the entire judiciary," Tucker wrote in the Dec. 27 decision, which came after months of hearings. .

"True justice must be completely just without even a hint of partiality, lack of integrity, or impropriety. Petitioner is entitled to an unbiased tribunal, without even the appearance of impropriety."

Tucker noted in his decision that while Abu-Jamal did not prove Castille's direct involvement in Abu-Jamal's prosecution and death sentence — former Gov. Ed Rendell was DA when Abu-Jamal was tried and convicted — he did note Castille campaigned for the Supreme Court in 1993, in part touting the number of defendants he sent to death row.

"True justice must be completely just without even a hint of partiality, lack of integrity, or impropriety."
Judge Leon Tucker

Castille said he disagreed with this appeal:

"They shouldn't have been able to raise the issue about me, because they never asked me to recuse myself," Castille, now retired, told the Associated Press. "The court ... knew I'd signed off on the appeal, but I had nothing to do with the trial."

But Abu-Jamal's supporters quickly claimed victory after Tucker's decision.

"The people's movement is responsible for this victory," Pam Africa, of the International Concerned Family and Friends of Mumia Abu-Jamal, said after the decision was announced.

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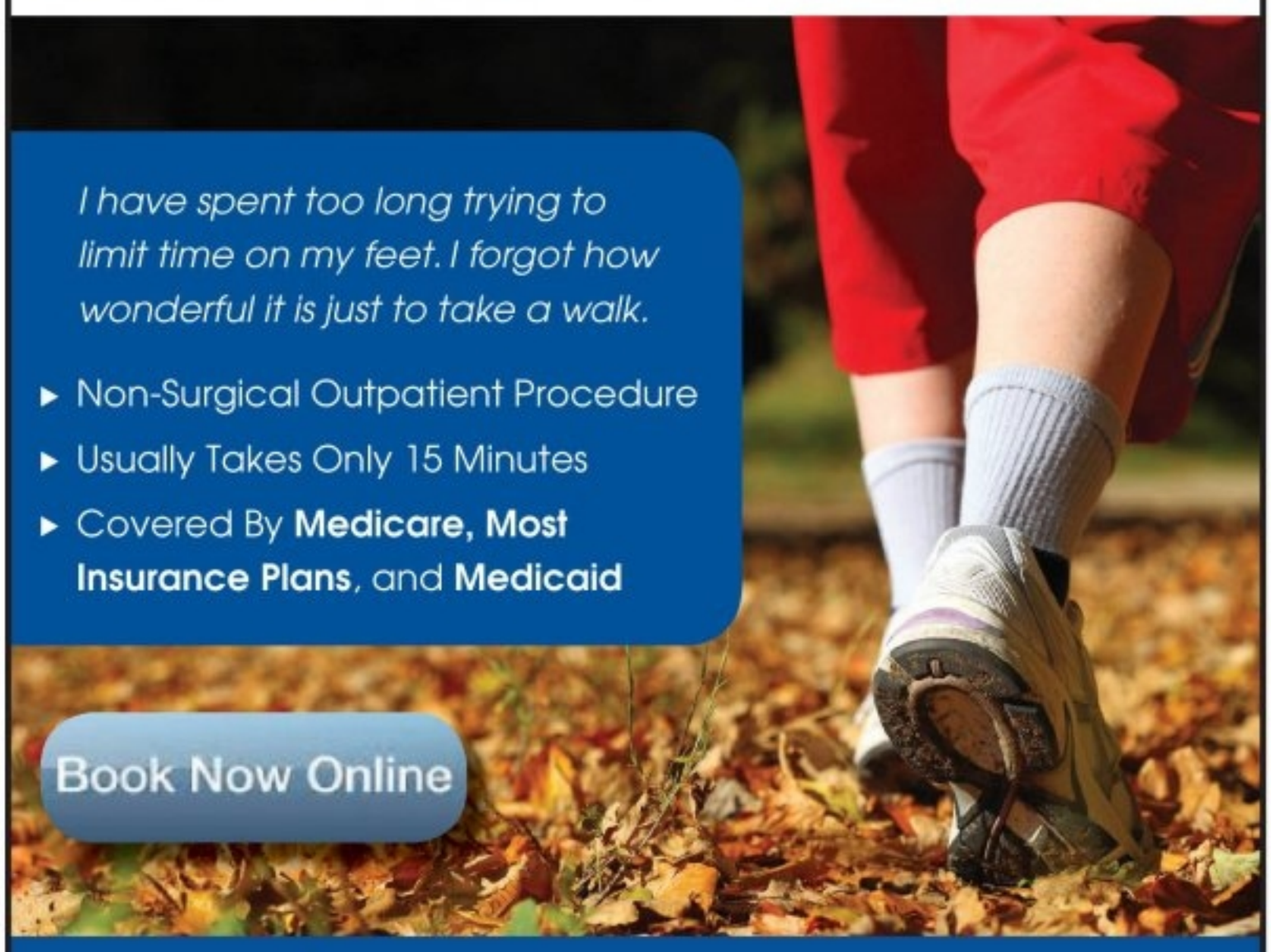

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al or dismissal of the charges," the Philadelphia International Action Center, which supports Abu-Jamal, said in a statement. "After 37 years in prison for a crime he didn't commit, the charges should be dismissed and he should be freed."

Supporters also held a rally on Dec. 28 outside the office of Philly DA Larry Krasner, calling on Krasner to not oppose Tucker's ruling and let the appeal go forward. They are planning to hold a rally with the same purpose again at the same location on Saturday at noon.

"We are aware of Judge Tucker's position and we are currently reviewing it to decide a course of action. We have no further comment at this time," a spokesman for Krasner's office said on Wednesday.

Lawyers for Abu-Jamal have until the end of January to file an appeal based on Tucker's decision. They did not immediately respond to requests for comment on planned filings.

Faulkner decried Tucker's decision on the "Fox & Friends" talk show.

"To Judge Leon Tucker: I hope you can sleep at night with the decision you made, because you know it was not the right one," Faulkner said. "Mumia Abu-Jamal shot my husband between the eyes, he executed my husband. … I'm never going to let this go. All over the country, they're reducing sentences on murderers, they're allowing them out of prison, and it's wrong. It's so wrong."

Tucker's decision was based on a 2016 U.S. Supreme Court decision, which found in Williams vs. Pennsylvania that it was unconstitutional for Castille to have heard appeals as a judge on a case he previously prosecuted.

Faulkner, now a resident of California, had flown to Philadelphia several times in recent months to attend the hearings for this appeal, which were also attended by many Abu-Jamal supporters, who organized rallies outside the courthouse each time. Faulkner was ejected from the courtroom in December for standing up and criticizing Tucker after he announced he would further adjourn the case after a third hearing in early December.

Mumia Abu-Jamal, born Wesley Cook, a former WHYY radio journalist, cab driver and affiliate of MOVE founder John Africa, was convicted of Faulkner's murder in 1982. Prosecutors said Abu-Jamal ambushed and killed Faulkner during a late-night traffic stop of Abu-Jamal's younger brother, which had turned violent. Abu-Jamal was arrested at the scene next to Faulkner's body, with a gunshot wound from Faulkner's gun to the chest, and charged with first-degree murder.

In the '90s, Abu-Jamal began a rise to fame after being dubbed a "political prisoner" who supporters claimed was targeted by law enforcement due to his involvement in black power-related causes. He became an emblem of the flawed criminal justice system, with many calling for his release and summoning him to deliver commencement speeches at various colleges, which he did by tape or telephone from prison.

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Wrestling world remembers 'Mean Gene' Okerlund

The longtime voice of the WWE passed away at age 76.

Professional wrestling announcer Gene Okerlund, nicknamed "Mean Gene" for his verbal sparring with the gimmicky sport's muscled gladiators including Hulk Hogan and "Macho Man" Randy Savage, died on Wednesday, World Wrestling Entertainment said. He was 76.

Okerlund launched his interviewing career at the American Wrestling Association in the 1970s and went on to work for the World Wrestling Federation, later renamed the WWE and World Championship Wrestling.

"WWE extends its condolences to Okerlund's family, friends and fans," the organization said on its website.

WWE officials did not respond immediately to queries over the circumstances of Okerlund's demise. Other representatives of Okerlund could not be reached for comment.

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Dubbed "Mean Gene" by professional wrestler and interview subject Jesse "The Body" Ventura, Okerlund captivated a national audience with humor and sarcasm as he bantered with the biggest personalities on the world wrestling stage.

He debuted singing talent in the middle of his career when he sang the national anthem in 1985 at the first Wrestlemania, an annual star-studded wrestling competition.

Several professional wrestlers expressed their condolences on Twitter on Wednesday.

Hulk Hogan, one of the sport's best-known former champions, said on Twitter: "Mean Gene I love you my brother."

Hogan inducted Okerlund into the WWE Hall of Fame in 2006.

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No sign of progress after Trump meets lawmakers on shutdown

Democratic and Republican congressional leaders emerged from a meeting with President Donald Trump on Wednesday giving no indication of any progress toward ending a partial government shutdown in its 12th day as Trump held fast to his demand for $5 billion in funding for a border wall.

House Republican Leader Kevin McCarthy told reporters that Trump asked congressional leaders to return to the White House on Friday for more talks aimed at ending the shutdown.

Democrats said they would proceed with plans to hold votes on Thursday, when they formally take control of the House of Representatives from Trump's fellow Republicans, on legislation that would end the shutdown without providing the wall money sought by Trump. The White House has called the two-part package a "non-starter."

"We're asking the president to open up government," Democrat Nancy Pelosi told reporters outside the White House after top lawmakers met with Trump and his homeland security officials behind closed doors.

Trump's demand for $5 billion in funding for a wall along the U.S.-Mexico border triggered the shutdown, affecting about a quarter of the federal government and 800,000 federal workers. Before meeting with lawmakers, Trump said the shutdown would last for "as long as it takes" as he pushes for wall money as part of any legislation to reopen agencies shuttered when their funding lapsed on Dec. 22.

"It could be a long time," Trump told reporters, "or it could be quickly."

"We know that we have a challenge along the border," McCarthy said. "We want to solve that issue. We want to make sure we open this government up. And I think at the end of the day, the president, listening to him, he wants to solve this as well."

Pelosi noted that the legislation being presented in the House had previously won backing in the Senate, which will remain in Republican hands in the new 2019-2020 Congress that convenes on Thursday.

Trump made the border wall a key part of his presidential campaign. Before meeting with the Democrats, Trump called the border a "sieve," rebutted Pelosi's complaint that a wall was immoral, provided an estimate of the U.S. illegal immigrant population far higher than the figures most experts cite and made disputed comments about progress toward building a wall.

The visit by Pelosi and Democratic Senate Leader Chuck Schumer was their first to the White House since their sharp exchange with Trump in the Oval Office on Dec. 11, during which the president told them he would be "proud to shut down the government for border security." REUTERS

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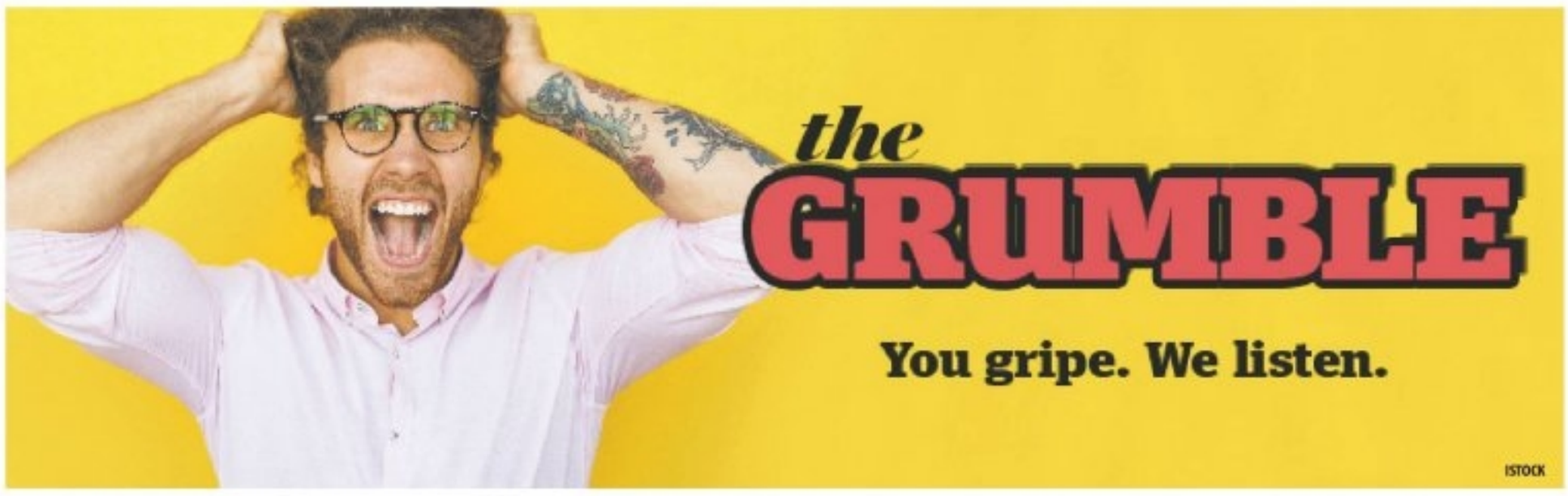

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In addition to the Grumble about annoying car horns from the Dec. 19 Metro, I would like to add that what is even more annoying is the same person.... every Sunday...at 11 a.m. honking his horn for the same person who by now should know to be ready at 11 a.m. on Sunday morning!! This person annoyingly honks his horn about four times, waking up the entire block just so he can pick up his family member. My neighbor asked him very nicely to please stop honking his horn and to use a cellphone to call the family member rather than honk his horn so loudly on a peaceful Sunday morning, and he in turn yelled at her, "Go back to sleep!!" I am begging my neighbor to please cut it out!!!

— **Annoyed,** *Metro US reader*

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For years I have been telling myself that I am going to get into shape after New Year's Eve. I've always wanted to make a point to hit the gym a little more, and even more importantly, partake in the popular "Drynuary." But giving up booze during winter can be a tall order! This year is my year, I can feel it. Keeping things positive in 2019!

— **Leo,** *Metro US reader*

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Aries Take a break, do something interesting or learn something new. Broaden your horizons and consider what you'd like to do next. Make a commitment to a loved one.

Taurus Rely on your resources, skills and connections to help you get things done your way. If you pay extra attention to your partnerships, you will learn something valuable.

Gemini Only trust people who actually live up to their promises. A financial change will help you save money and spend less of it.

Cancer Consider what you can do differently to get ahead. Set an example for others to gain respect and admiration. Romance is in the stars.

Leo Taking a day trip or visiting someone who has something to offer will open a window of opportunity. Don't hesitate to make a decision or move.

Virgo Size up a situation you face and do your homework. Knowing what you are up against will help you come to a decision that will resolve a pending problem. Avoid excessive situations.

Libra Learn all you can about a situation before you make a decision. Don't fold under pressure. Make choices based on what's best for you. Say what's on your mind and take action.

Scorpio Share ideas and see who the best candidate is to help you pursue your goal. Choosing to live an unusual lifestyle will bring out the best in you.

Sagittarius Emotions will take charge and lead the way. Before you reveal something, consider the consequences. Be smart about the information you share and the people you trust.

Capricorn Keeping busy should be your prime objective. Search for ways to make your life better. If you think about what's important, you'll know exactly what to let go of.

Aquarius Expand your interests and circle of friends. Information will be shared if you get in touch with an old friend or colleague. A new direction is encouraged.

Pisces Gather information from people you know you can trust, not someone who is manipulative or uninformed. A personal improvement or change is favored. Romance is highlighted. EUGENIA LAST

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LIFESTYLE

"Gotham" returns for its final season.
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Everything you need to know about 'Gotham' season 5

The conclusion of the fan-favorite "Batman" prequel series is here.

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2019 has arrived, and so has the fifth and final season of "Gotham," the fan-favorite Batman prequel series on Fox.

When the previous season, subtitled "A Dark Knight," came to a close last May, the villainous Ra's al Ghul (Alexander Siddig), his League of Shadows and the Joker-esque Jeremiah Valeska (Cameron Monaghan) succeeded in setting off a series of bombs throughout Gotham. The result? The mayor's murder, the destruction of every bridge into the city and the marooning of James Gordon (Ben McKenzie) and his fellow police officers.

Season five, subtitled "Legend of the Dark Knight," will finally wrap up the show's many twists and turns and, by its end, give birth to Bruce Wayne's (David Mazouz) long-developing vigilante alter ego, Batman.

It will also give in to the fans' unwavering demands regarding the Valeska brothers, Jerome and Jeremiah, and which one will ultimately become Batman's iconic arch-nemesis, the Joker. Showrunner Bruno Heller and his team of writers have been toying with this for the past few seasons, and seeing as how one of season five's episodes is titled "Ace Chemicals," chances are they will finally be gifting viewers with the creation of the Crown Prince of Crime himself.

Before any of this can come to pass, however, Gordon, Wayne, Harvey Bullock (Donal Logue) and the rest of the Gotham cops who stayed behind must find a way to protect

David Mazouz's Bruce Wayne prepares for his cape and cowl.

the city's trapped inhabitants from the rogues who roam the streets. These include the Penguin (Robin Lord Taylor), the Riddler (Cory Michael Smith), future Catwoman Selina Kyle (Camren Bicondova), Bane (Shane West) and a veritable who's who of the Batman rogues gallery.

The attack on Gotham led by Ra's al Ghul, the League of Shadows and Jeremiah has left the isolated city in shambles. Those left behind are now forced to grapple over what dwindling supplies remain and the various territories they can be found in. In a way, "Gotham" season five sounds a lot like the final act of director Christopher Nolan's "The Dark Knight Rises," the third film in his "Dark Knight" trilogy. (Both it and "Gotham" even featured Bane, no less!)

As audiences who've been following along since season 1 already know, however, "Gotham" is a very different animal from any of the Batman films that have preceded (or followed) it. This is very much an elongated origin story, which initially began as a look into the early days of Detective James Gordon and his time with the Gotham Police Department before ultimately becoming its commissioner.

Soon after, Heller and company quickly realized that viewers were anxious to see what would become of young Bruce and expanded the show's horizons. Hence the "Gotham" fans have come to know and love for the past few seasons and the Batman origin story it will finally be bringing to a close with season five.

"Gotham" season five premieres tonight at 8 p.m. on Fox.

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A week full of *Stardust*

This is the third annual Philly Loves Bowie Week. ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

Philly Loves Bowie Week runs from Jan. 4-13.

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The beloved weeklong celebration of music legend David Bowie is almost here, and the City of Brotherly Love definitely knows how to party with plenty of stardust and face painting for everyone. The annual Philly Loves Bowie Week started not long after the superstar's death in 2016, and it has grown into something extremely special with plenty of fun and unique Bowie-themed activities and parties to attend around Philly, starting on Jan. 4.

'Oh! You Pretty Little Things: A Bowie-Inspired Art Show'
This pop-up art show featuring regional artists inspired by Bowie will be on display throughout the week (the gallery is closed on Monday and Tuesday). Some of the pieces will be available for purchase as well.
Jan. 4- 13, 6-10 p.m., Ruckus Gallery, 27 N. 2nd St., free, ruckusgallery.com

A Black Celebration presents 'A Bowie Masquerade Ball'
Kick off the week with a bang by attending this Bowie-inspired masquerade ball full of costumes, dancing, a contest and plenty of prizes. Partial proceeds from the door benefit the Cancer Center at CHOP, in David Bowie's memory.
Jan. 4, 10 p.m., Ruba Club, 416 Green St., $10-$12, rubaclub.org

Candy Volcano presents 'Bowie Forever'
Philly's own Candy Volcano (the festive '70s glam-rock tribute band) will be performing hits from the Ziggy album as well as tracks from "Pin-Ups" and much more in honor of the late music legend.
Jan. 5, 8:30 p.m., Underground Arts, 1200 Callowhill St., $20-$30, undergroundarts.org

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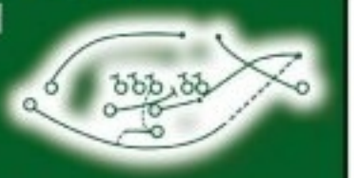

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Jan. 6, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Chatayee Thai, 1227 Walnut St., chatayee-thai.business.site

The Philly Loves Bowie Quizzo Night
Doobies owner Patti Brett (who helped kickstart Philly Loves Bowie Week) is hosting this all-out Bowie quizzo full of fun trivia questions. There will also be a Bowie-themed beer, Loving The Alien, a BlackStar Saison, available to enjoy during the event.
Jan. 6, 9 p.m., Doobies, 2201 Lombard St., free, facebook.com/doobies-bar/

It's Bowie's Birthday!
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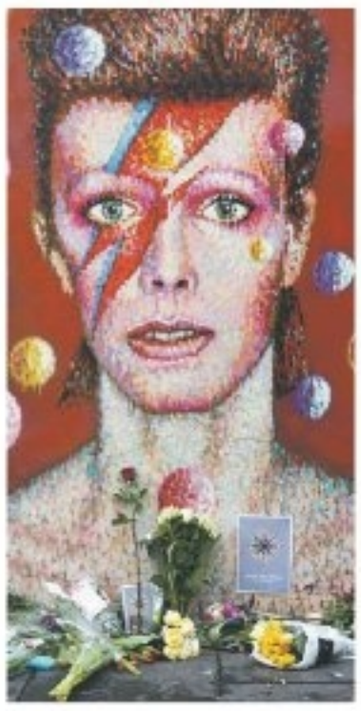
The 3rd Annual Philly Loves Bowie Memorial
Head on over to Doobies to create a temporary chalk memorial to honor Bowie himself (weather permitting). Doobies will provide plenty of chalk and there will also be Bowie arts and craft projects inside as well as



Bowie music and videos throughout the night.
Jan. 10, 4 p.m.-2 a.m., Doobies, 2201 Lombard St., free, facebook.com/doobiesbar/

Sound & Vision Happy Hour
Join the Trestle Inn go-go dancers, Lola Gold and TSOT DJ Argo as he spins Bowie hits on vinyl during this fun happy hour. Bowie music videos will be played and plenty of drink specials will also be available throughout the event.
Jan. 11, 6-9 p.m., The Trestle Inn, 339 N. 11th St., thetrestleinn.com

'Bending with Bowie'
Yoga instructor Haley Machir will lead this live-music yoga class to honor the late music legend. The live instrumental covers of David Bowie will be performed by Nick Perri and Tim Schilling. The event will be $15 in advance and $20 day of. Cash and Venmo will be accepted.
Jan. 12, 10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m., The Performance Garage, 1515 Brandywine St., $15-$20, performancegarage.org

A Snowy Bowie Skate
The Winterfest at the BlueCross RiverRink will be honoring Bowie with plenty of family-friendly activities including ice skating to Bowie music, "Labyrinth" playing on the screens inside The Lodge, Stardust face painting and themed drink specials all afternoon long.
Jan. 13, noon-6 p.m., BlueCross River Rink, 101 S. Christopher Columbus Blvd., delawareriverwaterfront.com

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"We ain't sneaking in, we're kicking the motherf—in' door down. We're in this party. Nobody wanted us, but guess what, they got to deal with us now, man."

Malcolm Jenkins' postgame locker room breakdown last Sunday said it all — sanitized as it is for this publication. The Eagles, even at 9-7, didn't sneak into the NFL postseason. They barged in with late-season wins over playoff teams (L.A. Rams and Houston) and last Sunday's dismantling of hapless Washington.

Down the stretch, as Jenkins said, they showed that "we are who we thought we were" — a resilient, talented team. A tough group of veterans led by prideful Pro Bowlers who refused to roll when the season looked lost around Thanksgiving. All directed by a coach savvy enough not to panic and smart enough to adapt.

They've strutted around in ski masks in recent weeks with the message being that they planned to rob other teams of a playoff spot. Now they might also pull out last season's German shepherd masks because, from this point, they'll be an underdog every Sunday. Just like last year.

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The quarterback? Nick Foles gets to wear a superhero mask.

The Bears entered the week as a six-point favorite, and I can't argue they're not a better team on paper. But we've been here before. We've seen the magic of Nicky Six.

A week ago, Foles threw for most passing yards (471) in the 86-year history of the Eagles. On Sunday, he tied an NFL mark with straight 25 completions. Under all the pressure in the world, Foles was perfect in back-to-back games.

Now, he heads back to the postseason as a legend. I'm not sure if he is a dragon slayer or the unslayable dragon in this saga, but his teammates (and fans) all buy in. I expect Foles' injured chest to be healed by God's magical touch, and for him to throw six touchdowns at Soldier Field.

"Nick is in an amazing zone," Coach Doug Pederson said Monday. "And so are the guys around him."

The Eagles and their coaches have adjusted from injuries that marred them through the season. The kids in the secondary grew up. Fletcher Cox, Brandon Graham, Chris Long and Michael Bennett highlight a defensive line that was sterling in December.

There's also a running game now. Alshon Jeffery has a terrific connection with Foles. Nelson Agholor has been rediscovered. Oh, and Zach Ertz had the best season of any tight end in football.

Yes, Vegas odds list the Eagles as a longshot to repeat as Super Bowl champs, but don't you believe it. They are the team that no one wants to face.

The guys in green are peaking at the right time — 5-1 in their last six, marred only by a horribly refereed OT loss in Dallas. They're relatively healthy and extremely confident. And they're basically the same group that had you dancing down Broad Street last February.

Of course, last season's 13-3 record gave them home field advantage through the playoffs. Now, as the sixth seed, they must win three straight on the road. A challenge, for sure, but achievable.

Since 1970, 10 wild card teams made it to the Super Bowl. Three times, a fifth or sixth seed won three straight road games and then the Super Bowl. The Packers did it in 2010, beating the Eagles, 21-16, in their playoff opener. The Giants did it in 2007, improbably knocking off the undefeated Patriots. And the Steelers did it in 2005.

So why not the good guys?

This would be a hell of a story. If they can pull it off, it would be even more amazing than last year.

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Eagles must watch out for Tarik Cohen in playoffs

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When the Philadelphia Eagles take on the Chicago Bears on Sunday afternoon in the second NFC Wild Card Game, all eyes will be on the Bears' top-tier defense.

However, the Eagles' defense — which has played great down the stretch — will be under the microscope, too, as they have the tough task of containing Chicago's dynamic second-year running back Tarik Cohen.

Over the last few weeks, Philly's misfit defense has done an excellent job creating turnovers and slowing down the opposing teams' running game. They held L.A. Rams star Todd Gurley to 124 total yards (48 rushing) and two touchdowns in Week 15; Redskins veteran Adrian Peterson to zero yards in Week 17 and 98 rushing yards in Week 13; and Giants stud rookie Saquon Barkley to 142 total yards in Week 12.

But unlike Peterson and Gurley to a lesser extent, Cohen can absolutely kill your defense in the receiving game and is a matchup nightmare.

This season, the former North Carolina A&T standout had a career year across the board with 444 rushing yards on 99 carries and three touchdowns, along with 725 receiving yards on 71 receptions (91 targets) and five touchdowns.

Eagles defensive coordinator Jim Schwartz spoke about the various ways Chicago uses Cohen in their offense on Tuesday.

"I mean, like, literally, they use him all over the place. Line him up in the backfield, line him up as a wide receiver, wide receiver motion into the backfield, in the backfield motion out, jet sweep, inside runs, outside runs, deep passes, short passes," Schwartz said.

"He's a really important part of their offense. We saw that a little bit last year. We knew how talented he was last year. He's in the same vein this year, and they're finding ways to get him the ball."

In last year's contest at Lincoln Financial Field, Cohen was not much of a factor as the Eagles' defense held him to minus-four rushing yards and eight receiving yards. However, do not expect the same type of output this time around as the young running back has a head coach in Matt Nagy, who knows how to put his best players in good situations.

The last time the Eagles faced a dynamic running back like Cohen was Alvin Kamara of the New Orleans Saints in Week 11. Kamara did not do much in the receiving game despite scoring a touchdown, but was a factor running the ball with 71 yards on 13 carries.

The Eagles must make sure that they either have a safety or cornerback lined up on Cohen every time he splits out as a wide receiver. You do not want him matched up against linebackers Jordan Hicks or Nigel Bradham because of his speed and quickness.

Nevertheless, it should be interesting to see the chess game played between Schwartz and Nagy on Sunday afternoon. Not only will the Eagles' defense have to contend with a mobile quarterback in Mitchell Trubisky, but they will have to account for "The Human Joystick," also known as Cohen.

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Tuesday, September 10th, 2019, at 11:00 A.M.

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Thursday, March 7, 2019
Thursday, March 14, 2019
Thursday, March 21, 2019
Thursday, March 28, 2019
Thursday, April 4, 2019
Thursday, April 11, 2019
Thursday, April 25, 2019
Thursday, May 2, 2019
Thursday, May 9, 2019
Thursday, May 16, 2019
Thursday, May 23, 2019
Thursday, June 6, 2019
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22 Thespian
23 __ cuisine; gourmet food
25 Hurry
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28 Terrible
31 Merchandise
32 Contemptible
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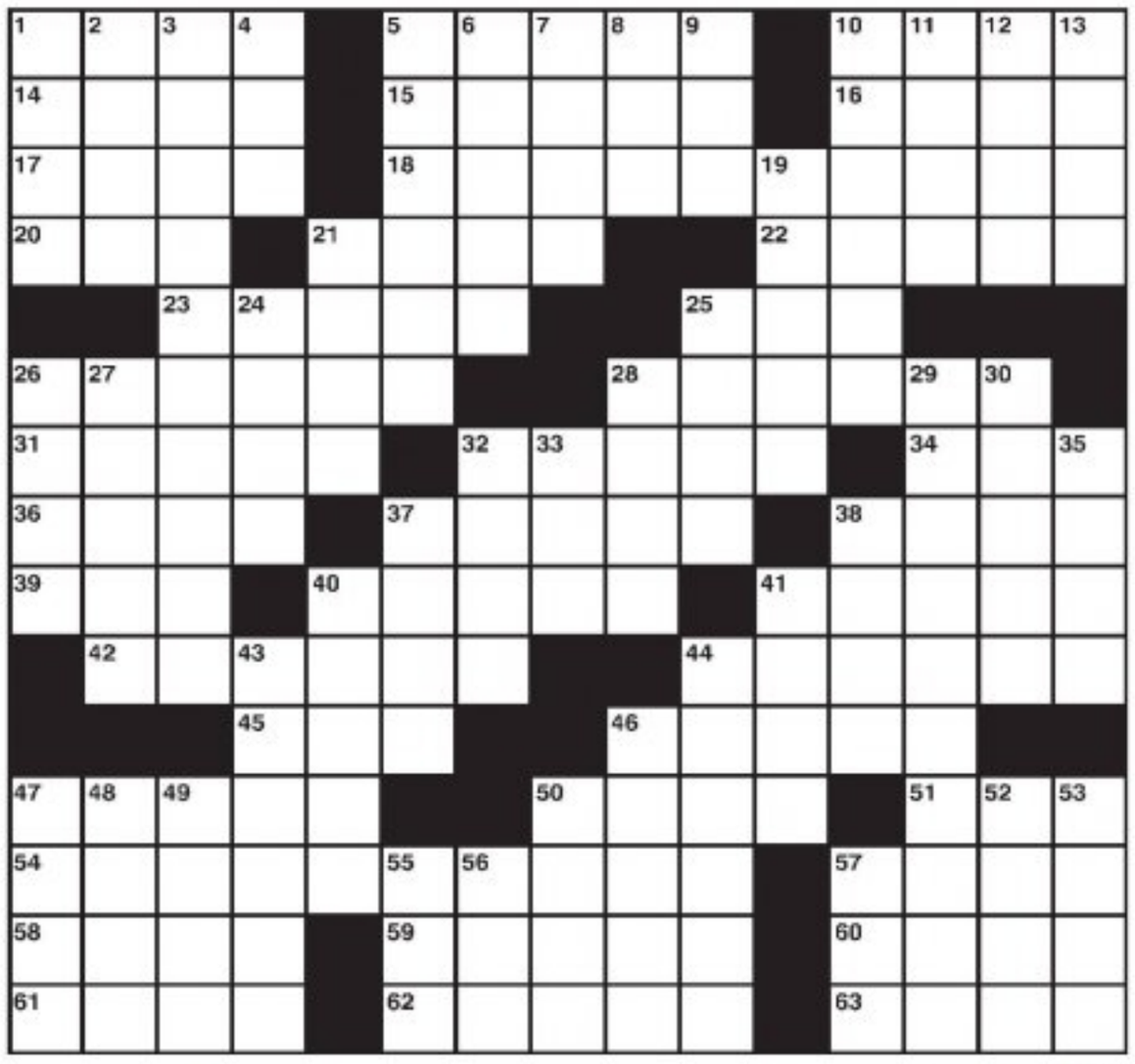

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